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VIA ECF

Judge P. Kevin Castel  
Daniel Patrick Moynihan  
US Courthouse  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, NY 10007

RE: Abel Montilla, Criminal No. 19-cr-00536-PKC

Dear Judge Castel:

I write to request permission for me to appear by remote means at the pretrial conference that is scheduled in this case for October 20, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. Counsel is currently in Madrid, Spain and is unable to travel to New York prior to the 20th in order to be physically present. Counsel could attend via telephone or video connection if available.

Wherefore, Counsel would ask for permission to attend the pretrial conference remotely.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Abel Montilla,**  
By his attorney,

/s/ Ivan E. Mercado

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*How does this work?  
You will be on a  
telephone line and your  
client will be in the  
Courtroom. This Conference  
was scheduled on August 19,  
2021. When did counsel  
learn that he would be out of  
the country? Please read  
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*filed today.*

*Appellate  
denied  
without  
prejudice.*

*SO ORDERED  
J. Mont  
USDJ  
10-12-21*

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